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- The compact disc(s) submitted fail to comply with 37 CFR 1.52(e) in that only a single copy of each disc was provided. A duplicate copy of each compact disc must be provided on Compact Disc-Read Only Memory (CD-ROM) or a Compact Disc-Recordable (CD-R) media. Any replacement compact discs submitted should be accompanied by a certification as required by 37 CFR 1.52(e) that each disc of a duplicate set is identical to the other disc of the set.
- This application is objected to because it contains a data file on CD-ROM/CD-R, however, the transmittal letter does not list for each compact disc, the machine format, the operating system compatibility, a list of files contained on the compact disc including their names, sizes in bytes, and dates of creation, plus any other special information that is necessary to identify, maintain, and interpret the information on the compact disc as required by 37 CFR 1.52(e)(3). A statement listing the required information is required. Additionally, the disc(s) is not identified in the paper portion of the specification with a listing of all of the files contained on the disc. When portions of an application are contained on a compact disc, the paper portion of the specification must identify the compact disc(s) and list the files including name, file size, and creation date on each of the compact discs. See 37 CFR 1.52(e). Applicant(s) are required to amend the specification to identify each disc and the files contained on the disc including the file name, file size, and file creation date.
- This application contains compact disc(s) as part of the originally filed subject matter or as an amendment, however the information contained on the compact disc(s) is not one of the types of information that may be submitted on compact disc(s). (see 37 CFR 1.52(e)).
- This application clearly fails to comply with the requirements of 37 CFR. 1.821-1.825. Applicant's attention is directed to the final rulemaking notice published at 55 FR 18230 (May 1, 1990), and 1114 OG 29 (May 15, 1990). If the effective filing date is on or after July 1, 1998, see the final rulemaking notice published at 63 FR 29620 (June 1, 1998) and 1211 OG 82 (June 23, 1998). If the effective filing date is on or after

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